

REMARKS

The Examiner has objected to the drawings on two different bases. First of all, the Examiner has required that Figs. 62A and 62B be designated "Prior Art". Appropriate amendment has been made.

Secondly, the Examiner suggests that the drawings overall appear to be informal. Applicant is enclosing herewith replacement sheets with amendments to delete crossed-out subject matter that is superfluous. It is believed that these drawing changes address the Examiner's concerns regarding formality.

Accordingly, withdrawal of the drawing objection is requested.

Claims 1-25 are currently pending in the application. Claims 13-25 have been withdrawn from consideration. Claim 9 is hereby cancelled.

The Examiner objects to claims 5 and 6 as each having an alternative dependent format. Applicant respectfully requests that this objection be withdrawn, particularly in light of the amendment to claims 5 and 6 which now incorporate more conventional multiple dependent language.

The objected to language relating to "caulking manner" has been addressed by amendment to claim 1.


Claims 9-11 stand objected to as each depending upon a rejected base claim. The limitations in claim 9 have been added to claim 1 so as to make it allowable.

All remaining claims depend directly or indirectly from claim 1, as rewritten, so as to be allowable. Consequently, the rejections based upon the prior art need not be addressed herein.

Reconsideration of the rejection of/objection to claims 1-8 and 10-12 and allowance of the case are requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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